अर्हता को मैट्रिक से कम करके कक्षा 8 तक कर दिया जाएगा ।

(vi) ग्रामीण कार्यात्मक साक्षरता कार्यक्रम में जनजाति उप-योजना के अन्तर्गत 550 लाख रुपये का बजट प्रावधान निश्चित किया गया है । जनजाति उप योजना के अन्तर्गत आन्ध्र प्रदेश, असम, बिहार, गुजरात, हिमाचल प्रदेश, जम्मू और काश्मीर, केरल, मध्य प्रदेश, महाराष्ट्र, मणिपुर, मेघालय, नागालैंड, उड़ीसा, राजस्थान, सिक्किम, तमिलनाडु, उत्तर प्रदेश, पश्चिम बंगाल और मिजोरम राज्यों में परियोजनाएं कार्य कर रही हैं।

(vii) 30 जून, 1988 को समाप्त होने वाली तिमाही प्रगति रिपोर्ट के अनसार 11.39 लाख अनुसूचित जनजाति के व्यक्तियों का नामांकन किया गया, जो कुल नामांकन का 14.74 प्रतिशत है ।

Illiterates above the age of 14 in metropolitan Cities

928. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BAN-SAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state;

(a) what is the estimattd number of illiterates above the age of fourteen years in the metropolitan cities of Delhi, Bom-bay, Calcutta and Madras;

(b) by when these illiterates are likely to be provided functional literacy;

(c) whether the children crossing the age of fourteen years during the aforesaid period would have been covered already by the literacy programme;

(d) if not, what would be their number; and

(e) by what year every person above fourteen years of age would be covered by the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP MENT SHRI L. P. SHAHI) (a) According to 1981 Census, number of ill terates in the +15 age group in four metropolitan cities is as follows:—

Delhi	ll,13.77;
Greater Bombay	13,76,29:
Calcutta ,	7,58,380
Madras	

(b) The objective of National Literacy Mission is to imparl functional literacy to 80 million illiterate persons in 15-35 age group by 1995. On the basis of 1981 census data, the estimated number of adult illiterate in this age group in these four metropolitan cities is given below:—

Delhi	5,17,395
Bombay	5,35,286
Calcutta	2.74,371
Madras	2,05,359

It is expected that these illiterates will be made literate by 1995.

(c) Children in the lower groups will be crossing 15+ age group during the period in which National Literacy Mis-sior will be in operation. As regards their literacy, National Policy on Education, 1986 stipulates that all children who attain the age of about 14 years by 1990 will have had five years of schooling or its equiv lent through the non-formal stream. Likewise by 1995, all children will be pro' free and compulsory education years of age. The Government has launched Operation Blackboard and Schcm Non-formal Education t_0 operatioi above policy postulates.

(d) and (e) Children upto 14 year of age and 80 million illiter: age group will be made literate by